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BALVIN, VINCENT PAUL

REF: STATE 194199, 276239

1. MISTREATMENT/EXTORTION WHILE IN PRISON: CONCERNING JULY 1974, ALLEGATIONS OF BEATINGS; RESULT OF EMBASSY'S PROTESTS TO PRISON AUTHORITIES WAS TRANSFER OF BALVIN TO NEW DORMITORY. ACCORDING TO BALVIN HE WAS NOT MISTREATED AFTER CHANGE. SUBJECT ALSO SAYS HE WAS NOT REPRESENTED BY ANY LAWYER AT THAT TIME.

2. APPEAL: COURT RECORD INDICATES BALVIN CHARGED WITH IMPORTATION OF 90 MILLIGRAMS OF COCAINE. APPARENTLY, CHANGING THE RECORDS TO INDICATE THIS AMOUNT HAD NO EFFECT ON OUTCOME OF APPEAL, SINCE BALVIN'S ORIGINAL SENTENCE WAS CONFIRMED BY COURT OF APPEALS DURING WEEK OF THANKSGIVING.

3. COMMISSIONED WORK: BALVIN APPARENTLY NOT GIVEN CREDIT FOR WORKING IN KITCHEN. HE ONLY WORKED PART-TIME, BECAUSE GIRL-FRIEND WAS VISITING EVERY DAY. THUS NO REDRESS AVAILABLE.

4. EMBASSY CONSIDERS THIS REVIEW COMPLETE.
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